

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this patent application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments, and the following remarks.

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The Applicants wish to thank Patent Examiner Victor Mac Arthur for the many courtesies extended to the undersigned attorney during the Personal Interview on December 21, 2005, at the U.S.P.T.O. The substance of this Personal Interview is set forth in the Examiner Interview Summary, and in this Amendment.

The amendments to the claims are as follows. Claims 7 and 14 were objected to because "the claiming effect" in each claim lacks a proper antecedent basis. Therefore, this was replaced with "a clamping effect." Withdrawal of this formal objection is respectfully requested.

Claim 7 has been amended to recite that the shaft-hub connection comprises an attachment flange (1) having a hub-sleeve element (3) with a radially outermost surface that is conical. This structure is not disclosed in any prior art reference.